



March 2016 Newsletter

We are approaching the final days of the 2016 legislative session and just passed day 30, also known as crossover day. Many important issues are being debated and amended to improve legislation. I have several bills moving through the Senate and House of Representatives to help protect families, businesses, promote good government and support those who protect us.

The Albers family is looking forward to springtime. Our youngest son Ryan started back with the crew on the Chattahoochee river where he is the coxswain helping steer and direct his boat. Will is finishing up his junior year of college and applying for summer internships. Kari is back playing tennis; and I am looking forward to spending more hours at the fire station.



Protecting GA Small Business Act

Earlier this year, I introduced Senate Bill 277, the "Protecting Georgia Small Business Act". This bill prevents the recent NLRB ruling from hurting our GA companies by enacting overreaching federal rules for franchisers. I am proud to report the bill has passed the Senate and is working through the House of Representatives now. This bill will protect the 333,000 franchise employees in our state and countless small business owners.



Supporting our Police Officers

Our police officers find themselves with difficult

circumstances today. Our men and women known correctly as the "Finest" put their lives at risk to protect ours. Nobody becomes a police officer for fame or fortune, but rather a sense of duty to help those who cannot help themselves in certain situations. I am proud to support my friends in blue and ask you to do the same. Don't miss an opportunity to simply say thank you for your service and pray for their safety.



Getting in Shape!

I love to support our small businesses in the community. If you are looking for a new and exciting place to challenge yourself, try Crossfit No Quarter located at: 1011 Mansell Road, Suite F. You never know, you may run into a Senator and his wife...



Budget

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I work very closely on the budget. I also serve as the sub committee chairman of the Public Safety budget. Along with my colleagues, we identified additional resources needed to protect Georgians. I am proud of our work maintaining a balanced budget while properly funding these important departments.



Helping our children

Last month, I was thrilled to recognize the Shriners and the success of the Peachcare Partnership. My friend Roger Wise Jr. of Roswell helped bring together the state of Georgia and the Shriner organization to help our children. This program enables them to receive necessary medical care quickly at a reduced cost to taxpayers.



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